

CHAPTER 4: COMMENTS AND COORDINATION

This chapter summarizes coordination efforts with agencies, municipalities, property and business owners, and the public regarding the State Street Environmental Study (ES). Section 4.4 includes descriptions of key meetings and Section 4.5 includes a summary of coordination documents.

4.1 AGENCY SCOPING

On May 25, 2007 the State Street corridor project team sent letters to federal, state, and local agencies and governmental organizations in order to solicit assistance in identifying potential resources within the project study area (see Appendix D). One response was received from the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) stating that the NRCS only comments on projects that will primarily impact private agricultural lands (see Appendix D). Furthermore, the May 25, 2007 letters invited agency representatives to attend the State Street ES Agency Scoping Meeting on June 7, 2007. The scoping meeting was held to introduce the project team, provide a project overview, and discuss environmental resources. It was attended by representatives from the Utah Department of Environmental Quality, Mountainland Association of Governments (MAG), Lindon, Pleasant Grove, and American Fork. Section 4.4 provides additional details on the State Street ES Agency Scoping Meeting.

4.2 TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Further coordination efforts included the development of the State Street corridor Technical Advisory Committee (TAC). The TAC is made up of city representatives responsible for working collaboratively with the State Street corridor project team in the development of a Preferred Alternative. Members of the TAC met monthly and provided input in resource identification and public outreach efforts. Section 4.4 provides additional details on individual TAC meetings held for the State Street corridor project.

4.3 PUBLIC OUTREACH

Efforts to educate property and business owners and the public about the proposed State Street corridor project included the distribution of informational fliers, announcements in city utility bills, installation of permanent message boards, the development of a project-specific web site, links to the project web site from city web sites, individual meetings, and a public hearing. Specifically, fliers were distributed to approximately 500 property owners and businesses along the corridor and an announcement requesting public input on the proposed project was included in city utility bills. Eight message boards were posted along the corridor to provide information on contact sources for the proposed project, and to advertise the public hearing. A State Street corridor web site was developed (www.udot.utah.gov/statestreetes) and links to the project web site were added to city web sites. Individual meetings were held for any party that requested such, and members of the project team personally delivered information and discussed the proposed project with individual business owners along the corridor. Finally, a public hearing was held on March 19, 2008 to present the Preferred Alternative and collect public comments.

4.4 COORDINATION

Key Meetings

The following is a list of meetings held between June 7, 2007 and March 19, 2008 as part of the coordination process for the State Street ES.

- June 7, 2007: Agency Scoping Meeting
- June 19, 2007: TAC Meeting
- July 6, 2007: Buhler Laundry Meeting
- July 18, 2007: Lindon City Meeting
- July 26, 2007: TAC Meeting
- August 3, 2007: Gary DeVincent Meeting
- August 6, 2007: Hobby Tractor Meeting
- August 9, 2007: American Fork Chamber Luncheon
- August 17, 2007: S&T Properties Meeting
- August 22, 2007: Ron Hadfield Meeting
- August 23, 2007: TAC Meeting
- September 20, 2007: American Fork City Meeting
- September 20, 2007: Pleasant Grove City Meeting
- September 20, 2007: Lindon City Meeting
- September 27, 2007: American Fork Transportation Committee Meeting
- October 1, 2007: Fellowship Bible Church & Los Hermanos Meeting
- October 4, 2007: Pleasant Grove City Meeting
- October 17, 2007: American Fork City Council Work Session
- October 24, 2007: MAG Open House
- October 25, 2007: TAC Meeting
- November 2, 2007: Orem City Meeting
- November 7, 2007: Capital Community Bank Meeting
- November 7, 2007: MAG Meeting
- November 8, 2007: TAC Meeting
- November 20, 2007: Pleasant Grove City Meeting
- November 28, 2007: Hollow Water Irrigation System Meeting
- November 30, 2007: BJ Plumbing Supply Meeting
- December 20, 2007: TAC Meeting
- January 10, 2007: Capital Community Bank Meeting
- March 19, 2008: Public Hearing

Following are brief descriptions of each meeting. Complete meeting minutes are included in the project files.

June 7, 2007: Agency Scoping Meeting

Representatives of Horrocks Engineers and the Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) met with agency representatives. Items discussed in the meeting included:

- Project Team Introductions
- Project Overview
 - Project Area

- Schedule
- Traffic Elements
- Design Elements
- Environmental Resources

June 19, 2007: Technical Advisory Committee Meeting

Representatives of Horrocks Engineers and UDOT met with city officials. The following items were discussed:

- Purpose of Technical Advisory Meetings
- Existing and Future Traffic Volumes
- Project Termini
- Typical Cross-Section
- Design Speed
- Public Involvement Strategy

July 6, 2007: Buhler Laundry Meeting

At this meeting, a representative of Horrocks Engineers met with the owner of Buhler Laundry and provided information about the State Street corridor project and transportation decision-making processes. The following comments were received:

- Mr. Buhler is happy to share information about the history of his business and State Street
- Mr. Buhler is concerned about the cost he would incur if he had to relocate his business

July 18, 2007: Lindon City Meeting

Representatives of Horrocks Engineers and UDOT met with Lindon officials. The following items were discussed:

- Project Overview
- Current Cross-Section in Lindon
- Proposed Cross-Section in Lindon
- Proposed Intersection Improvements

July 26, 2007: Technical Advisory Committee Meeting

At this meeting, representatives of Horrocks Engineers and UDOT met with city officials. Items discussed in the meeting included:

- American Fork Alternatives Development
- Pleasant Grove Alternatives Development
- Lindon Alternatives Development
- Orem Alternatives Development
- Traffic Report Update
- Public Involvement Activities

August 3, 2007: Gary DeVincent Meeting

Representatives of Horrocks Engineers met with Gary DeVincent to discuss the proposed State Street improvements. Specifically, Mr. DeVincent owns property at the intersection of 2000 West and State

Street in Pleasant Grove and was interested in the improvements being proposed on State Street and the intersection. The following items were discussed:

- Proposed Roadway and Intersection Improvements
- Driveway Access Requirements
- Project Schedule

August 6, 2007: Hobby Tractor Meeting

At this meeting, representatives of Horrocks Engineers met with Lance Sage, owner of Hobby Tractor in Pleasant Grove. Items discussed in the meeting included:

- Frontage Impacts to Hobby Tractor
- Existing UDOT Right-of-Way
- Proposed Roadway Improvements
- Project Schedule

August 9, 2007: American Fork Chamber Luncheon

Representatives of Horrocks Engineers gave a presentation on the State Street corridor project and transportation decision-making processes at the American Fork Chamber Luncheon. The presentation included the following items:

- Purpose and Need of Project
- Project Overview
 - Project Area
 - Schedule
 - Traffic Elements
 - Design Elements
 - Environmental Resources

August 17, 2007: S&T Properties Meeting

At this meeting, representatives of Horrocks Engineers met with Stan Smith, co-owner of S&T Properties in Pleasant Grove. Items discussed in the meeting included:

- Proposed Roadway Improvements
- Right-of-Way Acquisition Processes
- Schedule
- Public Involvement Opportunities

August 22, 2007: Ron Hadfield Meeting

Representatives of Horrocks Engineers met with Ron Hadfield, a property owner on Main Street in Lindon, to discuss the proposed State Street improvements. Specifically, the following items were discussed:

- Traffic Study Conducted by Ryan Hales
- Mr. Hadfield's Request to Close Main Street
- Speeding Concerns
- Road Closure Processes
- Accident Rates

August 23, 2007: Technical Advisory Committee Meeting

At this meeting, representatives of Horrocks Engineers and UDOT met with municipal representatives. Items discussed in the meeting included:

- Traffic
 - Land Use Revisions surrounding the Geneva Road Project
 - 200 South Impacts in Pleasant Grove
- Environmental
 - Chapter 1 is Complete
 - Social Analysis is Complete
- Design
 - Development of One Preferred Alternative
 - Reduced Impacts of a 117-ft Cross-Section
- Proposed American Fork Intersection Improvements
- Proposed Pleasant Grove Intersection Improvements
- Proposed Lindon Intersection Improvements
- Proposed Orem Intersection Improvements

September 20, 2007: American Fork City Meeting

Representatives of Horrocks Engineers met with American Fork officials to discuss the development of the Preferred Alternative. Specifically, the following items were discussed:

- Proposed Roadway Improvements
 - Cross-Section Width
 - Raised Medians
 - Horizontal Alignment
- Proposed Intersection Improvements
 - Raised Medians
- Historic Utah Southern Railroad Trail
- 100 East Intersection Impacts
 - Tabernacle
 - Historic Business District
- Public Involvement Activities

September 20, 2007: Pleasant Grove City Meeting

Representatives of Horrocks Engineers met with Pleasant Grove officials to discuss the development of the Preferred Alternative. Items discussed in the meeting included:

- Proposed Roadway Improvements
 - Cross-Section Width
 - Raised Medians
 - Horizontal Alignment
- Proposed Intersection Improvements
 - Raised Medians
 - Geneva Road Traffic Movements at State Street
- Historic Utah Southern Railroad Trail
- Public Involvement Activities

September 20, 2007: Lindon City Meeting

Representatives of Horrocks Engineers met with Lindon officials to discuss the development of the Preferred Alternative. Specifically, the following items were discussed:

- Proposed Roadway Improvements
 - Cross-Section Width
 - Raised Medians
 - Horizontal Alignment
 - Lindon concerns regarding impacts to existing roadway, sidewalk, and parkstrip
- Proposed Intersection Improvements
 - Raised Medians
- Public Involvement Activities

September 27, 2007: American Fork Transportation Committee Meeting

At this meeting, representatives of Horrocks Engineers met with the American Fork Transportation Committee and gave a presentation on the State Street corridor project and transportation decision-making processes. Items discussed in the meeting included:

- Purpose and Need of Project
- Project Overview
 - Project Area
 - Schedule
 - Traffic Elements
 - Design Elements
 - Environmental Resources
- Proposed Roadway Improvements
 - 117-ft Cross-Section
- Proposed Intersection Improvements
- Historic Utah Southern Railroad Trail
- Ending Project at 500 East
- Meeting Needed Between American Fork and MAG to Better Understand the Transportation Planning Process

October 1, 2007: Fellowship Bible Church & Los Hermanos Meeting

Representatives of Horrocks Engineers met with officials of the Fellowship Bible Church and Los Hermanos Mexican Restaurant to discuss the proposed intersection improvements at 400 North and State Street in Lindon. Specifically, the following items were discussed:

- Two Proposed Intersection Improvements
 - High T Intersection Alternative
 - Shared Access Alternative
- Pedestrian Concerns Regarding High T Alternative
- Access Concerns Regarding High T Alternative
- Preference of Shared Access Alternative
- Liability Concerns of Shared Access

October 4, 2007: Pleasant Grove City Meeting

At this meeting, representatives of Horrocks Engineers met with Pleasant Grove officials to discuss the development of the Preferred Alternative. Items discussed in the meeting included:

- Intersection Improvements at 2000 West
- Access Agreement for Property Owner at 2000 West
- Traffic Volumes at Geneva Road and State Street Intersection
- Historic Utah Southern Railroad Trail

October 17, 2007: American Fork City Council Work Session

Representatives of Horrocks Engineers and UDOT met with the American Fork City Council to discuss the development of the Preferred Alternative. Specifically, the following items were discussed:

- Intersection Improvements at 200 East
- American Fork Concerns Regarding Impacts to Tabernacle Trees
- Ending the Project at 500 East in American Fork
- Meeting Needed Between American Fork and MAG to Better Understand the Transportation Planning Process
- Concerns About Bottlenecking Between 100 East and I-15

October 24, 2007: MAG Open House

At this open house, representatives of Horrocks Engineers had a booth set up to provide information on the State Street corridor. Specifically, information presented at the open house included:

- Purpose and Need of Project
- Project Overview
 - Project Area
 - Schedule
 - Traffic Elements
 - Design Elements
 - Environmental Resources
- Proposed Roadway Improvements
 - 117-ft Cross-Section
- Public Information Contact Cards

October 25, 2007: Technical Advisory Committee Meeting

At this meeting, representatives of Horrocks Engineers and UDOT met with city officials. Items discussed in the meeting included:

- Traffic
 - Reevaluation of the 700 North and 700 South Intersection with State Street in Pleasant Grove Produced No Significant Changes in Projected Traffic Volumes
- Environmental
 - Chapter 1 Comments Received
 - Appropriate Noise Policy
 - Tabernacle Concerns
- MAG East-West Utah County Study
- Historic Utah Southern Railroad Trail
- Ending the Project at 500 East in American Fork
- Fellowship Bible Church & Los Hermanos Meeting Summary
- Lindon's Approval of the 117-ft Cross-Section
- Business Impacts in Lindon

November 2, 2007: Orem City Meeting

At this meeting, representatives of Horrocks Engineers met with Orem city officials to discuss the development of the Preferred Alternative. Items discussed in the meeting included:

- Orem Recommended Considering Two Thru Lanes in Both Directions on 2000 North at its Intersection with State Street
- Reevaluation of Traffic and Intersection Operations

November 7, 2007: Capital Community Bank Meeting

Representatives of Horrocks Engineers met with Capital Community Bank officials to discuss the development of the Preferred Alternative. Items discussed in the meeting included:

- Proposed Roadway Improvements
 - 117-ft Cross-Section
 - Raised Medians
- Capital Community Bank Concerns
 - Access Impacts
 - Landscape Impacts
 - Parking Impacts
- Conceptual Plans for Landscape and Parking

November 7, 2007: MAG Meeting

At this meeting, representatives of Horrocks Engineers met with MAG officials to discuss the Historic Utah Southern Railroad Trail. MAG was informed that while the State Street corridor project will not incorporate the trail it will accommodate it by minimizing impacts to the Utah Transit Authority right-of-way. Funding mechanisms and strategies for construction of the trail were discussed.

November 8, 2007: TAC Meeting

Representatives of Horrocks Engineers and UDOT met with city officials. Specifically, the following items were discussed:

- 2000 North and State Street Traffic and Intersection Operations in Orem
- Need to Look at 400 North Shared Access in Lindon in Greater Detail
- Preferred Alternative is Acceptable to Lindon
- Pleasant Grove Concerned About Movements from Northbound Geneva Road to Eastbound State Street
- Spot Improvements Between 500 East and 100 East in American Fork to Improve Safety
- American Fork Generally Supports the Project With the Exception of Impacts to the Tabernacle
- Public Involvement Activities
- Public Hearing Still Planned for January 2008

November 20, 2007: Pleasant Grove City Meeting

Representatives of Horrocks Engineers met with city officials. Specifically, the following items were discussed:

- Update on Pleasant Grove City Requests
 - Gary DeVincent Property at 2000 West
 - New Access Across Railroad (West of Water Gardens)
 - Geneva Road Traffic Movements and Signalization at State Street
 - Historic Utah Southern Railroad Trail
 - 1000 South Traffic Movements at State Street

November 28, 2007: Hollow Water Irrigation System Meeting

Representatives of Horrocks Engineers met with Hollow Water Irrigation System representatives. Items discussed in the meeting and site visit included:

- History of the System
- Identification of System Source and Location
- Potential Impacts of the Preferred Alternative

November 30, 2007: BJ Plumbing Supply Meeting

Representatives of Horrocks Engineers met with J.R. Jolley (landowner) and Brad Richins (BJ Plumbing Supply) and discussed the following:

- Landowner Concerns of Impacts
 - Parking at BJ Plumbing Supply
 - Truck Access at BJ Plumbing Supply
 - Rights as a Landowner

December 20, 2007: Technical Advisory Committee Meeting

At this meeting, representatives of Horrocks Engineers and UDOT met with city officials. Items discussed in the meeting included:

- Public Hearing
- Phased Construction Schedule
- Potential Impacts of the Preferred Alternative
- Public Comments Received to Date

January 10, 2007: Capital Community Bank Meeting

Representatives of Horrocks Engineers and UDOT met with Capital Community Bank, the property owner adjacent to the bank, and city officials. Items discussed in the meeting included:

- A potential full access shared between Capital Community Bank and the adjacent property owner
- Impacts to parking at the bank

March 19, 2008: Public Hearing

A Public Hearing for this project was held on March 19, 2008 at Mount Mahogany Elementary School in Pleasant Grove. The meeting was attended by over XX community members and XX comments were received. A table showing comments received and responses to the comments is included in Appendix X.

4.5 COORDINATION DOCUMENTS

Coordination documents for the State Street corridor project are summarized in Table 4-1 and are included in Appendix D, in order by date.

Table 4-1. Coordination Documents

Date	To	From	Topic
April 15, 2005	UDOT Environmental Staff, UDOT Project Managers, and Consultants	UDOT, Right-of-Way; UDOT, Environmental	Assessing Relocation Impacts in Environmental Documents
May 25, 2007	Federal and State Agencies	Horrocks Engineers	Project Scoping Meeting
June 1, 2007	Horrocks Engineers	Natural Resources Conservation Service	Response to Project Scoping Meeting Letter
July 25, 2007	Bill Townsend, UDOT	John L. Leonard, UDOT	Operational Safety Report
August 27, 2007	EarthTouch	Utah Geological Survey	Paleontology
October 11, 2007	Horrocks Engineers	UDOT	Threatened and Endangered Species/ Wildlife
November 19, 2007	Northwestern Band of the Shoshone Nation, Uinta and Ouray Utes, Skull Valley Goshutes, Ibapah Goshutes, Fort Hall Business Council	UDOT	Native American Consultation
XXXXXX	Utah State Historic Preservation Office	UDOT	DOEFOE